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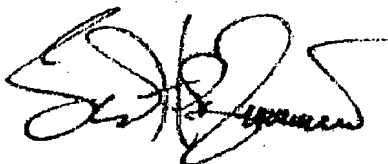
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re application of:**Watson *et al.***Group Art Unit:** 2617**Application No.** 10/029,172**Examiner:** Hossain, Farzana E.**Filed:** December 28, 2001**Attorney Docket:** BS01326**Title:** "Methods and Devices for Discouraging Unauthorized Modifications to Set Top Boxes and to Gateways"**37 C.F.R. § 1.8 CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION**

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RESPONSE TO APRIL 20, 2007 OFFICE ACTION

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The Assignee respectfully requests entry of the following amendment and remarks in response to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2007. The Assignee respectfully submits that the pending claims distinguish over the cited documents.